

A DISTINGUISHED CHURCHMAN
PASSES TO REWARDBishop Gaines An-
swers the Call.DIED AT HIS HOME IN
ATLANTA JAN. 12Host of Colleagues and Fellow Ministers
Pay Last Respect—Bishop Evans
Tyree Attend Preached Fare-
well Sermon.

Special to the Globe.

Atlanta, Ga., June 16.—On Friday, January 12th, Wesley John Gaines, one of the oldest bishops in the African Methodist Church, passed away at his home on Houston street, in this city. He had been ill only a short time, and his death was somewhat a surprise to his most intimate friends. Although well advanced in years he was in apparent good health. He was well-known in this city, having lived here many years as well as other places in the state.

He was an aggressive churchman and never compromised with wrong. At the last General Conference of his church he was appointed to the first district which consists of the states of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Maine. He had only recently returned from his work and was spending the winter at his home in Atlanta.

Bishop Wesley J. Gaines was born in Wilkes County, Georgia, October 4, 1840. His parents, Wm. and Louisa Gaines, the former a Methodist and the latter a Baptist, raised him in slavery. He was converted at nine. His boyhood was spent on the plantation. At eleven he mastered the alphabet in a week, learned to write from a copy book, and to read while sick, studying the Bible. In 1855 he removed to Stewart County, Ga., and in 1856 to Muscogee County and dated his call to the ministry to this time, when he was wont to preach funeral sermons over dead birds and animals. He married in 1863 Miss Julia A. Camper, who made him a helpful wife. They had one child, Mary Louisa.

He was ordained to preach in 1865, admitted to the South Carolina Conference in 1866, and ordained elder in 1867. He filled many positions of trust in his church. He was elected a bishop at Indianapolis in 1888. Bishop Gaines was a well-informed, pious and eloquent preacher, of imposing presence, and of blended politeness and dignity. He possessed both administrative and creative capacity of a high order and adds to his energy, firmness and ability excellent tact and discretion. He did some remarkable work in getting money and building churches. In his ministerial labors it is estimated that he raised \$400,000 for the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Early in his pastoral career he wiped out a debt of \$4,500 and completed Cotton Avenue Church, Macon, Ga.; built St. James Church, Columbus, Ga., at a cost of \$10,000; erected Bethel Church, Auburn Avenue, at a cost of \$25,000. He is an author, having written several well prepared and valuable productions, among them being "African Methodism in the South," "The Negro and the White Man," "The Gospel Ministry." He traveled extensively in this country and Europe, visiting many of the leading cities of England, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Italy and France.

The funeral of the deceased prelate brought to Atlanta many of the leading men of the African Methodist denomination. They came from all parts of the country to do honor to the distinguished citizen and churchman.

Bishop Evans Tyree, M. D., D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., was chosen to preach the funeral. He chose for a text the 35th verse of the 5th chapter of John, which reads as follows: "He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light." Bishop Tyree had been an intimate friend of Bishop Gaines for a number of years, and was well prepared to preach his funeral. The text chosen in itself sets forth the character of the deceased, and Bishop Tyree handled the subject in a masterful way, thereby inspiring all who heard him to new hopes and greater endeavor.

The order of exercises which was carried out almost in toto was as follows:

Hymn, "Servant of God, well done" (No. 436). Rev. H. Y. Arnett; prayer, Bishop John Albert Johnson, D. D.; 1st Scripture lesson, Eccl. 12:1-7, Rev. M. W. Thornton; 2nd Scripture lesson, 1 Cor. 15:35-58, Bishop W. H. Heard, D. D.; obituary read by Bishop R. F. Lee, D. D.; singing, "Lead Kindly Light," Rev. R. C. Ransom, D. D.; sermon, Bishop Evans Tyree, D. D.; solo, Rev. B. F. Watson, D. D.; remarks, Bishop L. J. Copplin, D. D.; remarks, Bishop H. B. Parks, D. D.; singing, "The Home of the Soul," remarks, Bishop C. T. Shaffer, D. D.; Glee Club, Morris Brown College. Honorary Pall Bearers—Rev. Bruce

MUCH SUFFERING
AMONG THE POORRelief Given By Leading Men
and Women at Odd Fellow
Hall.

Suffering among the poor, unfortunate and destitute during the cold days of the past week has been pathetic in the extreme. Those who saw the destitute condition among the people admit that not in the history of Nashville, at least, not since the days of reconstruction, has there been more suffering from cold, and hunger for shelter among the poor. The condition in this city, according to statements picked up here and there, was so alarming that some high-hearted members of the race were moved to action in behalf of the unfortunates. Prominent among those who led off in the movement to relieve these sufferers were Preston Taylor, of Taylor & Co., Undertaking establishment, and R. H. Boyd, Secretary of the National Baptist Publishing Board. These gentlemen state that they did not know the extent of the suffering until pitiful appeals and heart-rendering stories were poured at their respective doors by women and children, many of them declaring that they were positively refused shelter, food and clothing at the office of the United Charities. It is said that at the headquarters of the United Charities they were told that they had all that they could look after in caring for the poor whites and the money contributed by the city and county was not sufficient to relieve the suffering among the whites.

After a prolonged consultation between Preston Taylor and R. H. Boyd over the telephone, as Rev. Taylor was confined to a sick room and could not be out, they decided in their unanimous hearts that they would in spite of the many embarrassing circumstances, divide what they had individually and collectively with the poor of color in Nashville. For the benefit of the suffering people, the big Odd Fellows Auditorium at 447 Fourth avenue, North, was thrown open. Two stoves were at once lighted, and the spacious room was heated and all were invited to come in out of the cold. Hurried orders were sent to grocery stores, meat shops and coal yards for provisions and coal necessary to relieve some of the suffering. A commissary where the wants of the poor were supplied, even clothing being furnished, was a reality, and was kept open night and day. In one day orders were given for more than three hundred bushels of coal, from two to three hundred were fed daily, while scores and scores were supplied with clothing.

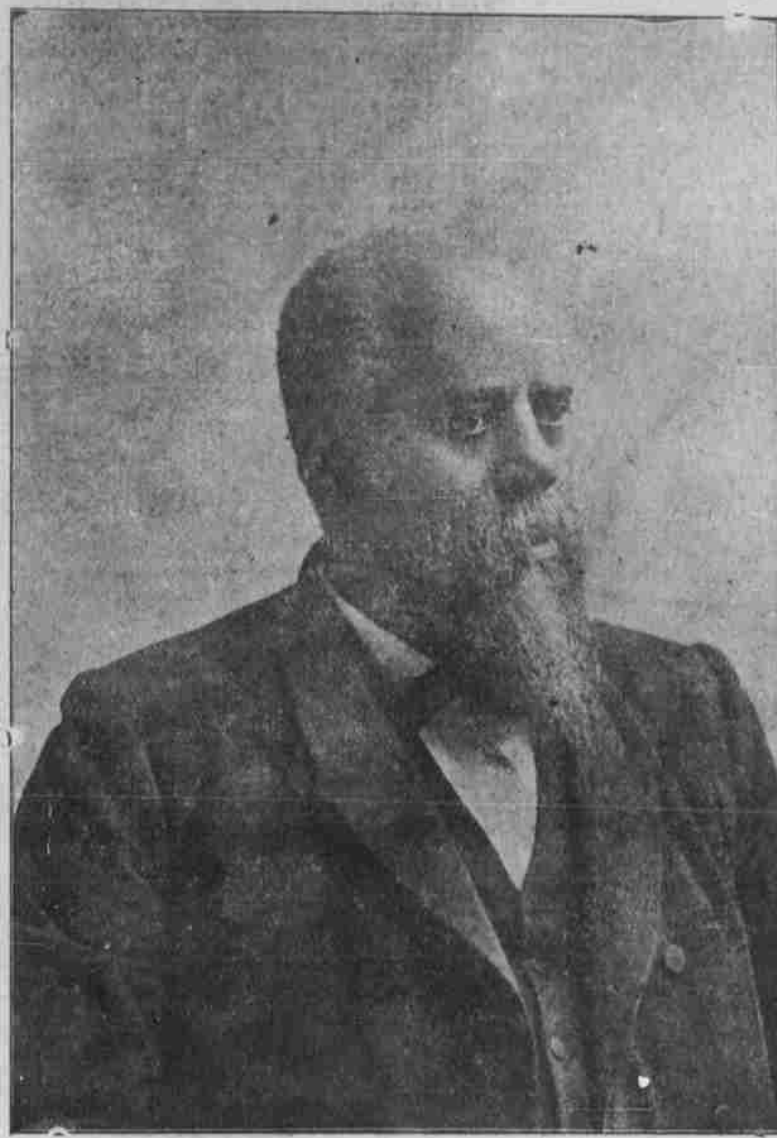
Among the first to come to the rescue of these two big-hearted men, when it was noised around the city that the place was opened, was Miss Battle, of the United Charities, who contributed provision and clothing; Mr. Goodpasture and mother gave \$5.00 each; Dr. Geo. W. Hubbard, of the Meharry Medical College, sent a cash donation and clothing; and Miss Ida D. Mallory sent \$5.00; Mrs. Epps, of Trimble bottom, sent one basket of clothes; Prof. Hale, President of the State Normal School, gave a cash donation, and there were several others who made donations.

Each one who came for assistance, regardless of when and how they were assisted, was given an order for enough coal to last through the zero weather, these orders were good on any coal yard in Nashville and were immediately paid when presented at the office of Taylor and Company.

Some heart-rending cases were reported from various sections of the city. For instance, Mr. and Mrs. Green Anderson, an aged couple, at 162 Wharf avenue, were found in a destitute condition and Mrs. Bandy assisted Preston Taylor in looking after this couple. Dr. Taylor telephoned Mrs. Bandy and she like a good Samaritan went immediately to the scene. Mrs. Georgia Jackson, a widow, was found at 528 Sycamore street, with four small children, said to be without shoes, and with nothing to eat. Mrs. Adlene Roscoe, 504 Sycamore street, a decrepit and un-

William, Rev. M. B. Sterrett, Rev. R. E. Wall, Rev. R. H. W. Leak, Rev. C. H. Murray, Dr. Marcus F. Wheatland, Mr. D. B. Allen, James L. Curtis, Esq., President W. S. Scarborough, Rev. George H. Shaffer, Rev. T. N. M. Smith, Rev. J. A. Hadley, Hon. Chas. Banks, Rev. J. J. Morant, Rev. J. W. Washington, President I. M. Burgan, Rev. T. H. Jackson, Rev. W. B. Johnson, Rev. R. B. Brooks, Mr. A. St. George Richardson, Rev. A. N. Ward.

Active Pall Bearers—J. L. H. Watkins, M. W. Thornton, B. W. Arnett, H. Y. Arnett, Philadelphia Conference; G. H. West, A. L. Murray, New Jersey Conference; A. R. Cooper, R. Ransom, New York Conference; Rev. Wm. H. Thomas and Rev. Thos. M. Henderson, New Jersey Conference.



THE LATE BISHOP WESLEY JOHN GAINES.

able to gain a livelihood, with no one to assist her. A case where a boy proves to be a hero was that of Mrs. Novela Davis, an aged woman living at 113 Church street, under the viaduct, is being supported by her grandson, a ten-year old boy. He is attempting to pay rent, buy food and clothing for both of them on the small salary of \$10.00 per month. Alice Spears and Dicy Buchanan, 1919 Jo Johnston avenue, received the attention of the charitable efforts being put forth as did also Lillie Mason, 316 Eighth avenue, North. Another scene that would move the stoutest heart to tears was reported Saturday night when the police picked up a half-starved, half-frozen colored boy eleven years old, who said he had been deserted by his mother and left to starve and freeze. The boy was carried at midnight to Preston Taylor's where he was given shelter. Wednesday morning a search was made and it was found that his name is John Willie Irvin Wood, and his mother really had forsaken him, claiming that she was unable to support the two and that they would both fare better if separated. The boy was still at Taylor and Company's Wednesday night. The temporary quarters were kept over the better part of the week.

NASHVILLE SENDS DELEGATES.

At the second annual session of the Sunday-School Council of Evangelical Denominations held in Toronto, Canada, January 23rd to 25th, Nashville is to be represented. Several Baptists out of the city are going to attend this meeting. Mr. M. D. Smith, of the firm of Smith and Lamar, book agents for the M. E. Church, South, is Treasurer of the Convention, while

there are others, in fact, practically all of the religious publishing plants will be represented.

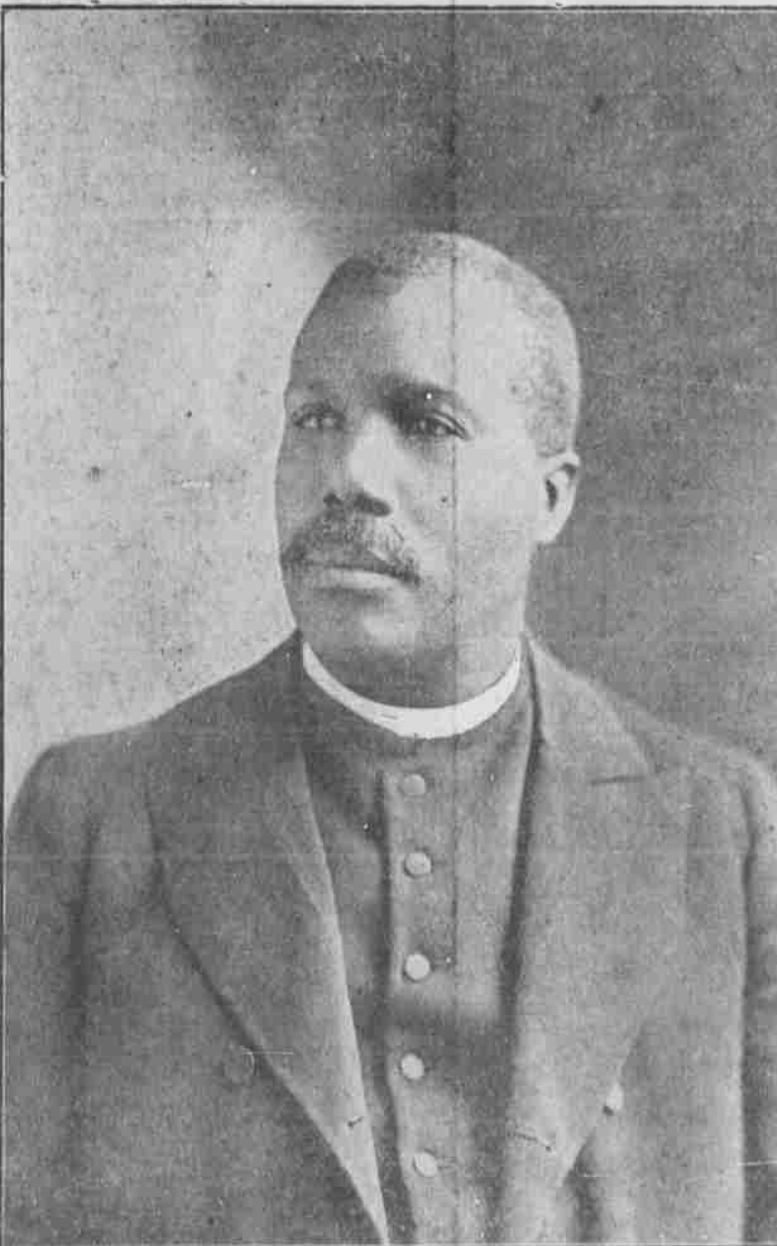
It is expected that the white Baptists will send Drs. J. M. Frost, of the Sunday-School Board, and I. J. Van Ness, of the Editorial force. The National Baptist Publishing Board will be represented by Rev. R. H. Boyd, Secretary of the Board, and Henry Allen Boyd, Assistant Secretary.

They leave for Toronto, Canada, Sunday morning, going by way of Cincinnati and Buffalo, while the return trip will be made by way of Detroit and Toledo. They will be joined at Buffalo by Rev. William Beckham, the Field Secretary, who has already gone ahead, and by Mr. Charles Dickson, of Buffalo, N. Y., who goes to take advantage of this opportunity to renew old acquaintances in Toronto.

This party is to be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simpson. It is stated that Mr. Simpson is one of the wealthiest and best known members of his race in the Dominion of Canada.

MRS. FRANCIS RETURNS HOME.

Mrs. W. T. Francis, wife of attorney Francis, of St. Paul, Minn., has returned home after spending about ten days in our city, on a visit to her grandmother, Mrs. Nellie Seay. Mrs. Francis was formerly of Nashville, and while here her many friends made it pleasant for her, for "auld lang syne." Last Sabbath she was at the home of Prof. and Mrs. J. W. Work, in company with Mesdames J. D. Ballentyne, A. G. W. Sanko, W. H. McGavock, Rev. S. L. Howard, and Dr. Lightfoot West. The meeting was a happy reunion.

BISHOP EVANS TYREE, D. D.,
Who Succeeds Bishop W. J. Gaines.

It has just been learned that Bishop Evans Tyree, of this city, was appointed by the bishops before leaving Atlanta, Ga., as the successor of Bishop W. J. Gaines. This will place

upon Bishop Tyree in connection with his work in Texas the oversight of the First Episcopal District which comprises Pennsylvania and all of the states east of Pennsylvania.

MR. BRYANT OFFERS NASH-
VILE AN OPPORTUNITYACT OF CHARITY
EXTENDEDColored Man Dies at Goodwin—
White Man Buries Him.

Special to the Globe.

Goodwin, Tenn., Jan. 16.—Here, as elsewhere, the people are forced to remain in doors in an endeavor to keep out the chilling blast of this arctic weather. Only those who through dire necessity are forced to travel, are to be seen upon the streets. Only two deaths recently, one a little girl, the four-year old child of Mr. St. Johnson. It seems that everybody was out of the room save this little child, her clothing caught fire and she was burned to death. Oh! why it, that parents seem to be so very careless? Another death of a distressing nature is to be recorded from here. The facts, so far as we can learn, are these: a young man came here from Montgomery, Ala., an entire stranger. He found refuge in the home of Mr. J. N. Moore, a well-to-do farmer of this place, expecting to go to work as soon as possible. The poor fellow, whose name is Henry Gibson, was taken sick soon after arriving here, and remained at the home of Mr. Moore until his death which occurred last Friday. Mr. Moore called upon the county authorities for aid to bury this man, but was refused. He thereupon took it upon himself all the expenses of the funeral and the poor fellow received a Christian burial. A stranger among strangers in a strange land. Mr. Moore is a white gentleman, the stranger a colored man, and not employed by Mr. Moore. Here, then, is an act of Christian charity which is growing more and more perceptible in this Southland as the years roll by. Mr. Moore, by this noble deed, has demonstrated the truth of the saying that the Negro's best friends are right here in the South.

MR. RUFFIN'S CENSUS WORK
PRAISED.

Mr. Marcus W. Ruffin, who was one of the West Tennessee appointees, has recently received a letter from Mr. John W. Farley, of Memphis, commending his work as an enumerator. The letter reads as follows:

Dear Sir:

As it was my pleasure while serving as Supervisor of the Census for this District to appoint you as a Census enumerator, during the recent United States Census, you are doubtless interested in the results of the tabulation made by the Census Office, and I take pleasure in informing you that within the past few days the Director of the Census has issued the first bulletin based on the results of the work done in this District.

Should you desire a copy of this bulletin, or of any other bulletins which will be issued from time to time during the coming year, I suggest that you write Hon. E. Dana Durand, Director of Census, Washington, D. C., stating that you served as an enumerator and ask that he send you this bulletin.

It also gives me a great pleasure to inform you that the work done by you was highly satisfactory to me and to the Bureau at Washington. This is to me a source of special gratification, and I desire to express to you my sincere thanks and gratitude for the pains-taking care, faithfulness and loyalty with which you discharged your duties as an enumerator and merited the confidence reposed in you when I selected you to serve in this position.

At your convenience, I shall be glad to have you call at my law office and give me the opportunity of personally thanking you and at the same time explaining in detail some of the matters disclosed by the Census.

I assure you that if I can be of service to you at any time, I shall be pleased to render it.

Very sincerely yours,

JOHN W. FARLEY.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEET.

In spite of bad weather a good number of colored teachers met Saturday, January 13, 1912. Prof. Anderson, County Superintendent, and Prof. R. I. Ballon, of McLean Branch, were present. The regular program was dispensed with and the time given to the above-named professors. Prof. Anderson took only a few minutes, but his remarks were very helpful. Prof. Ballon is a teacher of wide experience. He gave much valuable information in his practical way along the lines of school management.

Program for Feb. 10, 1912—Song, Institute; reading, Mrs. J. C. Fields; instrumental solo, Mrs. S. A. King; arithmetic, Prof. R. H. Brown; geography, Prof. E. B. Buford; solo, Madam Tarr; grammar, Prof. W. H. Card; instrumental solo, Prof. Clemmons.

Committee—M. E. Thompson, E. B. Buford, Mrs. Ewing, W. C. Wilkins, Nannie Porter.

Will Bring all A. M.
E. Printing HerePROPOSES TO SAVE
MONEY TO CHURCHDeleg. Coming to See the Plan as
Feasible One—Part of Plan as
Outlined.

With the turn of events it seems probable that, beginning with the quadrennium of the A. M. E. Church that will begin after the adjourning of the Conference that will convene at Kansas City in May, that all the printing of that Church will be done in Nashville.

Mr. Ira T. Bryant, who is finishing up his first quadrennium as Secretary of the Sunday-School Union of the A. M. E. Church, with headquarters in this city, has made a proposition to his Church that is as clear-cut, from a business point of view, as possible, and one that it is believed will receive the approval of the delegates of the General Conference. To use Mr. Bryant's own language, the plan in part is as follows, as suggestive of a remedy for laws made by the last General Conference and which have not worked smoothly:

If you should ask us how they are to get better support, in the face of our statement that the church is already doing as much as she is able to do, we might refuse to reply, preferring to confine ourselves here to the question of publishing interests, and not discuss our newspapers. If you should insist, we would give it as our opinion that the thing for us to do at Kansas City is to apply a bit of common sense, look the matter of our financial weakness "squarely in the face" and decide to abolish either the Christian Recorder, the Southern Recorder, or the Western Recorder; take \$1,000 of the money now going to the abolished office, giving \$500 each to the remaining two as a subsidy, the remaining \$350 keep in your Financial Department. Abolish this senseless practice of issuing a special Missionary Department paper—the Voice of Missions—and provide for a certain amount of space in the two Recorders for the Secretary of this department.

One Central Publishing Plant—What
It Means.

But we started out to discuss "our one big manufacturing plant," the subject nearest our heart, the one, we believe, that offers the greatest opportunity for increasing the revenue of any that will come before the next General Conference, and the one we are anxious to interest you in, to the and that we can get it well before those who are to constitute the Kansas City gathering. Let us remind you that the Church has given us, a layman, all the honor within its gift, and we cannot possibly be influenced by other than most altruistic motives, in urging this plan upon the church; we can have nothing but the purest motives—the interest of this old church so dear to our heart—in advancing a reform that means such increased burdens and responsibilities without increased emoluments.

Our Reasons Illustrated. What a
Single Management Means.

A single management of our two houses simply means that the work will be so divided that best results will be obtainable. To illustrate: Neither the Book Concern nor the Sunday-School Union has enough of the hard-back book work, such as our disciplines, hymnals, etc., to warrant it in buying the necessary machinery to do a job of this kind; as a result, the Union, when it gets a job of this kind, must content itself with setting the type, executing the press work, folding, and sewing while the cases, etc., must be made and supplied by white concerns. On the other hand, our Book Concern is positively unprepared to do any part of the work, but must sub-let the entire job to the white man. A single management for our two houses would mean that all work the Book Concern could not handle, would be sent to Nashville, where our own boys and girls are employed, rather than to white concerns. Then there is a class of work, such as calendar-making and fine cut work, etc., that could be gotten out to better advantage at Philadelphia, where we would be in close touch with high-class engravers, lithographers, etc.

The Plan Not New.

Putting several houses under one management is nothing new. The M. E. Church has houses in Nashville and Dallas, Texas, both under the direct management of Smith & Lamar; The American Baptist Publication Society has houses in four or five cities other than Philadelphia, but all under one single management; the great Western Methodist Book Concern composed of houses in four or five cities, all under the same management; the same can be said of the great Methodist Book Concern of New York; and why this talk about the plan not being practical in the maintenance of two little Negro printing plants at Philadelphia and Nashville?